Lawyers Summon Jim Garrison to Hearing for Shaw

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NEW ORLEANS, June 11—More than 30 witnesses—including District Attorney Jim Garrison and several of his investigators—have been summoned to a hearing Monday by attorneys for Clay Shaw, the man Garrison claims had a hand in plotting the assassination of President John F. Kennedy.

Lawyers for Shaw, a retired New Orleans businessman, have demanded the names of the "others" that Garrison claims were involved in the plot.

The District Attorney has responded so far by naming Lee Harvey Oswald, the presumed assassin (although Garrison says Oswald was not); David W. Ferrie, freelance pilot, who insisted before he died that the District Attorney was embarked on a witch hunt, and the late Jack Ruby, the Dallas night club operator who killed Oswald.

Shaw's attorneys this week will try to crush the indictment against their client.

The Louisiana Civil Liberties Union has already accused Garrison of putting on a "Roman circus" and the Metropolitan Crime Commission this weekend called for a state investigation of charges that a member of Garrison's staff sought to bribe an unwilling wintess, Alvin R. Beaubouef.

Garrison has replied that the admitted offer of money and a job was made only in return for telling the truth.

Meanwhile, other allegations are beginning to surface.

Miguel Torres, a young Cuban serving nine years for burglary in the State Penitentiary at Angola, has told Shaw's attorneys, and others, that Garrison's men repeatedly held out the lure of a reduced sentence in return for testifying, among other things, that he knew Clay Shaw as "Clay Bertrand," and that Shaw had made homosexual passes at Torres.

Garrison has accused Shaw of plotting to kill the late President as "Clay Bertrand," a shadowy figure reputed to have been a "queen bee" among homosexuals in New Orleans' French Quarter. Shaw has vigorously denied the charges.

Torres was moved to the Orleans Parish Prison from the State Penitentiary in January to testify about a robbery committed while he was behind bars. He was questioned by Garrison's men while in the Parish prison and the inducement of a reduced sentence reportedly was made at that time. Torres steadily denied knowing anything and is now back in Angola.

While in New Orleans before his imprisonment, he lived on Magazine street about a block from Oswald's old address there.

Another convict lodged in the Parish Prison, John (The Baptist) Cancler, also claims to know that another of Garrison's witnesses against Shaw at a preliminary hearing fabricated testimony.

The witness, narcotics addict Vernon (Legs) Bundy, testified that he saw Shaw and Oswald together in 1963 on the New Orleans lake front just as Bundy was about to give himself a fix of heroin. He was put on the stand after telling his story to Garrison's office.

Cancler says that he was in the same prison tier with Bundy. Bundy, he maintains was looking for a way to "get out" after being beaten up by two cell mates.

Cancler's story quotes Bundy as speculating where he should say he saw Shaw—"on Esplanade street or the lakefront?"

Cancler also claims that Bundy admitted to him that he was lying. Cancler also has asserted that Garrison's men asked him whether he could get into Shaw's home "to put something in there." Cancler says he refused when he learned that it was connected with the investigation into President Kennedy's assassination.

Efforts to reach Bundy at the Parish Prison today were fruitless. Garrison could not be reached for comment.